I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

SENATE RESOLUTION 165—A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF SENIOR JUDGE FRANK M. JOHNSON, JR. OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. FERGOLD, and Mr. FITZGERALD) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Whereas Frank M. Johnson, Jr. was appointed a United States District Judge in Alabama by President Eisenhower in 1955;

Whereas Judge Johnson was elevated to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit by President Carter in 1978;

Whereas in a time when men of lesser fortitude would have avoided direct confrontation of the highly unpopular issues of school desegregation rights for African Americans, Judge Johnson stood firm in upholding the Constitution and the law;

Whereas Judge Johnson struck down the Montgomery, Alabama law that had mandated that Rosa Parks sit in the back of a city bus, because he believed that “separate, but equal” was inherently unequal;

Whereas Judge Johnson upheld the constitutionality of federal laws granting African Americans the right to vote in Alabama elections, because he believed in the concept of “one man, one vote”;

Whereas despite tremendous pressure from Governor George Wallace, Judge Johnson allowed the voting rights march from Selma to Montgomery to proceed, thus stirring the national conscience to enforce the Voting Rights Act of 1965;

Whereas today, a new courthouse that bears the judge’s name in Montgomery, Alabama there are integrated schools, buses and lunch counters, and representative democracy flourishes in Alabama with African-American state, county, and municipal officials who won their offices in fair elections with the votes of African-American and white citizens;

Whereas in part because of Judge Johnson’s upholding of the law, attitudes that were once intolerant and extreme have dissipated;

Whereas the members of the Senate extend our deepest sympathies to Judge Johnson’s family and the host of friends that he had across the country;

Whereas Judge Johnson passed away at his home in Montgomery, Alabama on July 23, 1999;

Whereas the American people will always remember Judge Frank M. Johnson, Jr. for exemplifying unwavering moral courage in the advancement of the wholly American ideal that all people created equal deserve “equal protection of the laws” and for upholding the law: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate:

(1) commends the Georges Bank Review Panel on the recent report recommending an extension of the moratorium on oil and gas activity on Georges Bank, commending Government Bank, and urging the government of Canada to adopt a longer-term moratorium;

(2) supports the aspirations of the Indonesian people in pursuing a transition to genuine democracy;

(3) calls upon all Indonesian leaders, political party members, military personnel, and the general public to respect the outcome of the elections, and to uphold that outcome pending the selection of the new President by the Majelis Permusyawaratan Rakyat (MPR) later this year;

(4) commends the Georges Bank Review Panel on the recent report recommending an extension of the moratorium on oil and gas activity on Georges Bank, commending Government Bank, and urging the government of Canada to adopt a longer-term moratorium.

A. assisting in disarming and disbudding and militias on the island;

B. granting full access to East Timor to groups such as the United Nations, international humanitarian organizations, human rights monitors, and similar nongovernmental organizations;

C. upholding its commitment to cooperate fully with the United Nations Assistance Mission for East Timor (UNAMET).

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) concedes the Georges Bank Review Panel on the recent report recommending an extension of the moratorium on oil and gas activity on Georges Bank, commending Government Bank, and urging the government of Canada to adopt a longer-term moratorium;

(2) supports the aspirations of the Indonesian people in pursuing a transition to genuine democracy;

(3) calls upon all Indonesian leaders, political party members, military personnel, and the general public to respect the outcome of the elections, and to uphold that outcome pending the selection of the new President by the Majelis Permusyawaratan Rakyat (MPR) later this year;

(4) commends the Georges Bank Review Panel on the recent report recommending an extension of the moratorium on oil and gas activity on Georges Bank.

A. assisting in disarming and disbudding and militias on the island;

B. granting full access to East Timor to groups such as the United Nations, international humanitarian organizations, human rights monitors, and similar nongovernmental organizations;

C. upholding its commitment to cooperate fully with the United Nations Assistance Mission for East Timor (UNAMET).

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) receives the report of the Committee on the Recent Resolutions recommending an extension of the moratorium on oil and gas activity on Georges Bank, commending Government Bank, and urging the government of Canada to adopt a longer-term moratorium.

A. assisting in disarming and disbudding and militias on the island;

B. granting full access to East Timor to groups such as the United Nations, international humanitarian organizations, human rights monitors, and similar nongovernmental organizations;

C. upholding its commitment to cooperate fully with the United Nations Assistance Mission for East Timor (UNAMET).

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) calls upon all Indonesian leaders, political party members, military personnel, and the general public to respect the outcome of the elections, and to uphold that outcome pending the selection of the new President by the Majelis Permusyawaratan Rakyat (MPR) later this year;

(2) commends the Georges Bank Review Panel on the recent report recommending an extension of the moratorium on oil and gas activity on Georges Bank, commending Government Bank, and urging the government of Canada to adopt a longer-term moratorium.

A. assisting in disarming and disbudding and militias on the island;

B. granting full access to East Timor to groups such as the United Nations, international humanitarian organizations, human rights monitors, and similar nongovernmental organizations;

C. upholding its commitment to cooperate fully with the United Nations Assistance Mission for East Timor (UNAMET).

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the people of Indonesia on carrying out the first free, fair, and transparent national elections in forty-four years;

(2) supports the aspirations of the Indonesian people in pursuing a transition to genuine democracy;

(3) calls upon all Indonesian leaders, political party members, military personnel, and the general public to respect the outcome of the elections, and to uphold that outcome pending the selection of the new President by the Majelis Permusyawaratan Rakyat (MPR) later this year;

(4) calls for the convening of the MPR and the selection of the next President as soon as practicable under Indonesian law in order to reduce the impact of continued uncertainty on the country’s political stability and to enhance the prospects for the country’s economic recovery;

(5) calls upon the present ruling Golkar party to work closely with any successor government in assuring a smooth transition to a new government;

(6) urges the present government, and any new government created by the MPR, to work to ensure a stable and secure environment in East Timor by: